

83rd Indiana Volunteer regimental history and Vicksburg Medal of Honor recipients documents S1001

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Summary Information

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Administrative History

The 83rd Indiana Volunteer Regiment was organized at Lawrenceburg, Indiana on September 4, 1862 with Benjamin J. Spooner, a lawyer from Lawrenceburg, as Colonel. The 83rd was an infantry regiment made up of 9 companies of volunteers for 3 years and 1 company of drafted men who served for 9 months. The company served in many military actions including Vicksburg, Mission Ridge, and the Atlanta Campaign. On June 3, 1865 the regiment was mustered out of service.

Sources:

Information found within collection.

Turner, Ann. *Guide to Indiana Civil War manuscripts*. Indianapolis: Indiana Civil War Centennial Commission, 1965.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a typewritten history of the 83rd Indiana Volunteer Regiment, the Vicksburg campaign, and a list of men earning the Medal of Honor for action at Vicksburg compiled by Thelma Murphy ca. 1963. The collection includes photocopies of the pension records, ranging from 1864-1936, for the following Medal of Honor recipients: Clinton L. Armstrong (1845-1899); Thomas A. Blasdel (1843-1932); William W. Chisman (1844-1925); John Wesley Conaway (1843-1913); David H. Helms (1838-1921); Ira Hough (1843-1916); Jacob H. Overturf (1842-1900); Reuben Smalley (1839-1926); William Steinmetz (1847-1903); and Frank Stolz (1844-1926). Copies of Blasdel, Chisman, and Stolz Medal of Honor Certificates from 1916 are also included.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Custodial History

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Processing Information

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Related Materials

Related Archival Material

Materials relating to this collection may be found in the following collections in Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN:

S0131:John F. Blasdell papers

S1229:Benjamin Spooner letters, 1862-1864

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 83rd (1862-1865). Company F.

Geographic Name(s)

- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Veterans--Pensions
- Vicksburg (Miss.)--History--Siege, 1863

Subject(s)

- Congressional Medal of Honor